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ATLA AND BRUSSELS

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Without apology to Caesar, we went, we conferred, and we organized.

We Went. The "We" refers to J. Stillson Judah, our indefatigable indexing editor who dwells by the golden sands of Sutter's mill race, and the undersigned denizen of Texas' spouting oil derricks. I arrived in London Monday, September 5th and bedded down in the comfortable middle class Bonnington Hotel. Not far on one side of it are Non-conformist headquarters and bookstores, and nearby on the other side are a group of libraries and antiquarian bookstores all dominated by the majestic British Museum whose great green dome was seen from my window. On Tuesday conferences with R. L. Collison, head of the Reference Department of the City of Westminster Public Library system, who was then Chairman of the Standing Conference of Theological and Philosophical Libraries of London (SCOTAPLL --they pronounce it as if it were spelled Scottapple), and Mr. Roger Thomas, Librarian of the celebrated, two-hundred-year old Dr. Williams Library, were held and plans were made for a luncheon conference on Wednesday. On Wednesday morning Mr. Judah arrived in time for the luncheon. We were joined by Miss Joan Ferrier, Librarian of the Church Missionary Society, and secretary of SCOTAPLL. The three Britishers, of course, knew each other and I knew the three other men but the five of us had never met before and probably will never meet again on this earth.

We Conferred. In a conference of nearly three hours, we explored the several aspects of the problem of an international organization of theological librarians and arrived at substantial agreements on what seemed to be minimum basic principles and procedures.

Later that afternoon Mr. Judah and I took a bit of a librarian's holiday by visiting Miss Ferrier's large and important library. She graciously showed us some of her many rare sets for the study of missions in the Orient and Africa. Thence to nearby St. Paul's Cathedral where an all-too-brief visit left unforgettable memories. After dinner and further exchange of ideas regarding Brussels, we went to the Dr. Williams Library and had another librarian's feast with Mr. Thomas as our host and mentor.

Thursday morning Judah and I had a breakfast conference reviewing again the ideas exchanged the day before, and he then left for Brussels. I arrived in Brussels Friday afternoon in time to join Judah and Dr. Hans Harms for an evening's exchange of ideas about what to expect, what should be accomplished and how the end should be achieved. This conference was

on the European side and they needed leadership on their side for more organization, we elected Mr. Roger Thomas as the first president. This made it obvious that the secretary should be an American. Mr. Judah was so elected. Following this a brief resolution was adopted asking IFLA to recognize the new organization as a unit of its Association. This was later approved, thanks to Dr. Bourgeois. By this connection editorial and financial help for an international bibliography of religion will be more readily available.

On Wednesday, September 14, I was guest of the annual meeting of SCOTAPLL and made a talk on our theological libraries. Mr. Thomas was elected their new chairman and Miss Ferrier was reelected secretary. They also laid plans to issue a call for a British national association of theological librarians.

Thus ATLA enters a new era and area of international relationship with far-reaching consequences in prospect.

DR. MYRDDYN W. JONES

Dr. Myrddyn William Jones, Librarian of the Butler University School of Theology in Indianapolis, Indiana, died on August 30, after an illness of three months. Dr. Jones suffered a heart attack on May 30 and was hospitalized from that time until a second attack took his life. A native of Martins Ferry, Ohio, Dr. Jones was a graduate of Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia, and held the M.A., B.D. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Chicago. He was an ordained minister of the Disciples of Christ and had served pastorates in Rockville, Maryland, and Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, prior to assuming the Librarianship of Butler on August 1, 1953. Dr. Jones was unmarried.

Dr. David C. Pellett, Professor of Old Testament at Butler, has been Acting Librarian since June 1, 1955.

NEW MEMBERS ADMITTED TO ATLA

The following persons have been accepted by the Executive Committee for membership in ATLA since the ninth annual conference met in New York in June:

Active Membership: Miss Hilda Ernst, Seminary Librarian, North Park College and Theological Seminary, Chicago, Illinois; Miss Ruth Kraemer, Librarian, North Central College and Seminary, Naperville, Illinois.

Associate Membership: Mr. Casper LeRoy Jordan, Chief Librarian, Wilberforce University, Wilberforce, Ohio; Miss Helen Knubel, Secretary for Research, National Lutheran Council, New York, New York; Mr. Kenneth R. Shaffer, Director of the School of Library Science and of the College Library, Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts; and Miss Mary Valentine, student, Columbia University School of Library Service, New York, New York.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Robert F. Beach, President of the ATLA, submits the following report from the Executive Committee:

It is a pleasure for your Executive Committee to announce the following appointments to the Standing Committees, for 1955-1956:

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With regard to the work of the above Committees, other pages of this Newsletter will carry some evidence of their activities. Your Sealantic Committee met on July 29 and November 11, and is preparing its formal request for support for submission to the Sealantic Fund, Inc., before the end of the calendar year.

By mail vote, your Executive Committee decided to ask Mr. Alec Allenson to arrange for another Book Publishers' Exhibit at the Berkeley Conference, June 20-22, 1956. The Committee also approved the expenditure of $100.00 to provide "token" assistance in sending Dr. L. R. Elliott to the Brussels Conference of the International Federation of Library Associations, September, 1955. In this connection, Stillson Judah at the last minute was able to secure travel expenses from a Foundation. Therefore ATLA was represented by two members of our IFTLA Committee. (See this Report elsewhere in this issue of the Newsletter.)

At the post-Conference meeting of the Executive Committee (see Proceedings of the New York Conference, Appendix B) it was decided to meet at Berkeley, California, June 20-22, 1956. We are to be the guests of the Pacific School of Religion, Stillson Judah, Librarian. Certain sessions are being planned jointly with AATS, focusing on their recent survey of

theological education. Vice-President Helen Uhrich will welcome your program suggestions. Address her at Yale Divinity School, 409 Prospect Street, New Haven 11, Connecticut. It would be most helpful if each ATLA member would plant the idea of attendance at Berkeley promptly and firmly. Your Executive Committee realizes that there are special problems of distance and expense, just as there were in meeting at New York. We believe, however, that careful advance planning can do much to assure a good attendance. We know that the program and hospitality will justify our efforts.

COMMITTEE ON MICROPHOTOGRAPHY

Mr. Decherd Turner, Jr., Chairman of the Committee on Microphotography, announces that the following titles are to be added to the Microcard Theological Studies series and will be available soon:

No. 9. The Influence of Hebrew and Classical Septuagint and Hellenistic Greek Elements in the Redemptive Terms of the Greek Testament, by N. W. McLaurin.
No. 10. Freeborn Garrettson, American Methodist Pioneer, by R. D. Simpson.
No. 11. The Ground of Contemporary Heresy, by S. R. Hopper.
No. 12. Monotheism in Akh-en-aton and the Second Isaiah, by H. F. Beck.
No. 13. Patterns of Social Concern in Four American Protestant Denominations, by E. E. Brewster.
No. 14. Theoretical and Practical Aspects of Ecumenical Communication, by W. E. Cate.
No. 15. The Concept of the Soul in Kierkegaard and Freud, by J. D. Copp.
No. 16. Group Therapy as a Method for Church Work, by L. R. Campbell.
No. 17. The Place of Grief Work in Mental Health, by W. F. Rogers.
No. 18. Thomas Coke and Early American Methodism, by W. T. Smith.

In cooperation with the Microcard Foundation, a new price scale has been established for ATLA microcard publications. The cost per card is now twenty-five cents. It is possible that it might rise to thirty cents; but until further notice the twenty-five cent rate will be in effect. ATLA member libraries are again urged to place a standing order for all items in the Microcard Theological Studies.

ATLA REPRESENTED AT UNESCO CONFERENCE

Mr. Roscoe M. Pierson, Librarian of the College of the Bible, and Mr. Ernest M. White, Librarian of the Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, represented the American Theological Library Association at the Fifth National Conference of the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO, held in Cincinnati, Ohio, November 2-4.

NEW THEOLOGICAL PERIODICALS

The Brethren Journal Association has issued the first number of its new periodical, Brethren Life and Thought, A Quarterly Journal Published in the Interests of the Church of the Brethren. Vol. I, No. 1 is for Autumn, 1955. Subscriptions should be sent to Edward Kruzen, Editor, 3600 Foster Avenue, Chicago 25, Illinois. The subscription rate is $3.00 a year.

The first issue of the Canadian Journal of Theology, A Quarterly of Christian Thought, appeared in April, 1955. The brochure which accompanied the initial number described the new periodical:

> It is a quarterly Journal for the thorough and scholarly discussion of the issues with which Christians are confronted as the Word of the Gospel sounds from the Church into the contemporary world. The purpose of the Journal is to clarify the nature of the Gospel to which Christians are committed, and to consider all aspects of man's life under the light of that Gospel.
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> The Journal, while directed mainly to a Canadian public, will also have broad ecumenical interests. It will try to make a contribution of some distinctive value to readers in the United States and in Europe.
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> The Journal is not for the clergy only, but it hopes to speak to the needs of all thoughtful persons, whatever their vocation, in Church and society.

It is anticipated that each number will generally contain an article of each of the following types: theological or theological-philosophical, Biblical (in the Old and New Testament fields alternately), historical (relating to Canadian Church history particularly), political and social, pastoral and psychological, editorials and book-reviews.

Subscriptions should be sent to the Secretary of the Board of Directors, Canadian Journal of Theology, 65 Queen's Park Crescent, Toronto 5, Canada. The subscription rates are $3.00 for one year, $5.00 for two years. Single issues are $1.00.

PUBLICATION OF ATLA PERIODICAL INDEX ANNOUNCED

Mr. Calvin H. Schmitt of the Periodical Indexing Committee announces that the ATLA Index to Religious Periodical Literature for 1953-1954 will be published on or about January 15, 1956. Full details on this second volume of the Index will be included in the next issue of the Newsletter.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

Dr. John Graves Barrow of Austin, Texas, published in the spring of 1955, A Bibliography of Bibliographies in Religion. Based on a Ph.D. dissertation which the author presented to Yale University in 1930 but brought up to date with the inclusion of the religious bibliographies of the past twenty-five years, the compilation "is an attempt to bring together all separately published bibliographies in the field of religion."

Five hundred pages in length, the Bibliography is arranged topically with individual works arranged chronologically under the topics. The great majority of the titles were personally inspected by Dr. Barrow. Brief descriptive notes by the compiler are included in addition to the bibliographical information, and the location of the copy examined and of other reported copies is given. An extensive index is provided.

The lithoprinted, paper-bound volume is available directly from Dr. Barrow for $15.00. Orders should be addressed to Dr. John G. Barrow, 716 Brown Building, Austin 1, Texas.

The Library of Garrett Biblical Institute announces the publication of A Methodist Book Classification prepared by Dr. Lucy W. Markley. The publication is mimeographed, covering seventy pages. Copies will be available by December 1 at cost, $2.00 each. Orders should be directed to Mr. Arthur W. Swann, Librarian, Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois.

Miss Julia Pettee, former Chief Cataloger at Union Theological Seminary in New York and originator of the widely used Union Classification Scheme for Theological Libraries, has completed a history of her home town, Salisbury, Connecticut. It is to be published in the spring of 1956. Miss Pettee writes to say that, "If any of you are interested in the parish of the Rev. Jonathan Lee in Salisbury, Connecticut, two centuries ago, you can secure a copy from the Salisbury Association, Inc., of this town."

Mr. Elton E. Shell, Librarian of the University of Southern California School of Religion in Los Angeles, California, is publishing on or about December 1 a new library manual entitled Organize Your Library; A Manual for Home, Pastor's Study, or Church. The manual is designed for use with any classification scheme and contains, in addition to the material on the organization of a library, Mr. Shell's scheme for an arrangement of Bibles, a new classification scheme with index, and a large bibliography of materials useful in research in the field of religion.

The volume will be mimeographed in form and of more than one hundred pages in length. Bound copies will be sold at $2.00 each. Orders should be directed to Mr. Shell at his home address: Mr. Elton E. Shell, 1050 West 34th Street, Los Angeles 7, California.

NASHOTAH HOUSE RECEIVES GIFT

A notable gift has been received by the Nashotah House Library in Nashotah, Wisconsin, which will be of interest to scholars and book lovers throughout the Episcopal Church. Approximately 4,150 volumes, formerly belonging to Bishop Charles Grafton, were moved during the past summer from Fond du Lac to Nashotah.

Charles Chapman Grafton, second Bishop of Fond du Lac, was one of the founders of the Society of St. John the Evangelist and a leading figure in the Episcopal Church during his episcopate (1889-1912). A man of wide learning and the author of many books, during his lifetime he collected an outstanding theological library. At his death it was left to the Diocese of Fond du Lac and remained in his former residence under the care of the Sisters of The Holy Nativity. Location in a seminary library will make the books more readily accessible to students and scholars.

COLUMBIA SEMINARY EXHIBITS PRINTS

The John Bulow Campbell Library of the Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia, presented an exhibition of religious prints from the collection of Walter C. Barnwell from October 30 through November 6. Mr. Barnwell's collection of prints numbers more than 30,000 items and, from the historical standpoint and the quality of the impressions, is probably the most comprehensive private collection in the United States. Although other sections of the collection have been exhibited in Southern museums and libraries over a period of twenty-two years, the exhibition at Columbia was the first major showing from the religious section of Mr. Barnwell's prints.

LUTHERAN SEMINARY CONTINUES EXPANSION

In 1950 the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia decided to transform its library building in progressive units. The north wing was first converted from a small auditorium to provide Biblical and Practical Reading Rooms and carrels on a new second floor, a Reference and Periodical Room, Librarian's Office and hall for an expandable card catalog on the first.

Next the south wing was transformed to provide quarters for two catalogers, the secretary, clerical assistant, typist and paster, a Doctrinal and a Historical Reading Room, sound-proof typing room, carrels, wash rooms, staff kitchen and lounge.

The central rotunda was finished this summer. The circulation desk, new book displays, and museum cases to show special treasures are centered here. Throughout the building, an informal atmosphere has been achieved by use of a variety of color schemes, leather covered arm chairs and small study tables. The next unit, anticipated for next year, will provide for the audio-visual work of the education department in the basement under the big reference room. By thus transforming hitherto little used space within the building, places for 95 readers with immediate access to the most used books, and shelving for approximately 10,000 volumes were secured. It is expected that major changes within the three-story, open stack wing will not be necessary for at least five years.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

Miss Clara B. Allen has assumed the position of Librarian of the Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California. She was formerly Assistant Librarian. As Librarian, Miss Allen is also Editor of the Fuller Library Bulletin.

Miss Katherine S. Diehl, former Librarian of Texas Lutheran College in Seguin, Texas, published an article entitled "Formal Bibliography in the Upper Division" in College and Research Libraries for October, 1955. Miss Diehl was a member of the Summer Faculty of the Louisiana State University Library School during the 1955 summer term.

Dr. Arnold D. Ehlert is now Librarian of the Talbot Theological Seminary which is affiliated with The Bible Institute of Los Angeles, Inc. Dr. Ehlert was formerly the Librarian of the Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California.

Miss Hilda Ernst is the new Seminary Librarian at North Park College and Theological Seminary in Chicago. Miss Ernst received the M.S. degree from the University of Illinois Library School in February, 1955. She previously served as Librarian of Mission House College and Seminary in Plymouth, Wisconsin.

Mr. James R. Kennedy, Jr., joined the staff of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia in June as cataloger and reference assistant. Mr. Kennedy is a graduate of Cornell University and holds the M.S. degree from the Columbia University School of Library Service.

Mr. Frederick E. Kidder (x'49, Seabury Western Theological Seminary; B.L.S., '50, University of California) is now Assistant Librarian at the Polytechnic Institute in San German, Puerto Rico. He was formerly an assistant in the Library of the Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary, Berkeley, California.

Polytechnic Institute is the only accredited Protestant church-related liberal arts college in Puerto Rico. It has for many years provided preministerial training for evangelical students and this year gained additional recognition when the Episcopal Church of Puerto Rico and the Lutheran Church of British Guiana for the first time sent ministerial candidates to Polytechnic for their preseminary training.

Mrs. Evah O. Kincheloe, former Librarian of the Chicago Theological Seminary, represented the American Theological Library Association at the inauguration of Dwight Loder as President of Garrett Biblical Institute in Evanston, Illinois, on October 18.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS (CONTINUED)

Miss Ruth Kraemer is now serving as Librarian of the North Central College and Seminary in Naperville, Illinois. She was formerly Director of the Library at Doane College, Crete, Nebraska. Miss Kraemer holds the M.S. degree from the University of Illinois Library School.

Mr. Hartley C. Ray became Librarian of the Chicago Theological Seminary on November 1, succeeding Mrs. Evah O. Kincheloe. A graduate of Bates College, he received the B.D. degree from the University of Chicago Divinity School in 1945 and has carried on additional graduate study there looking toward the Ph.D. degree. Mr. Ray has served as minister of a Congregational Church in El Paso, Texas, and of Unitarian Churches in Chicago and Highland Park, Illinois. He has also served for three years as a Library Assistant in the University of Chicago Divinity School Library and for one year as Circulation Librarian of the Education Library at the University of Chicago. Mr. Ray is married and lives in Oak Park, Illinois.

Mrs. Lenice F. Reed has joined the library staff of the Gordon Divinity School in Beverly Farms, Massachusetts, as Library Director. She is also Director of the Library of Gordon College. Mrs. Reed holds an A.B. from Macalester College, an M.A. from Wheaton College and an M.S. in Library Science from Simmons College.

Mr. Roger Nicole, former Library Director, will retain interest in the library and responsibility for the enlargement of its collection under the title of Library Curator.

Mr. A. Stan Rescoe, Assistant Professor at the Library School of the George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee, has been elected President of the Nashville Library Club for the 1955-1956 year. The manuscript of Mr. Rescoe's manual in cataloging, Technical Processes Simplified, is in the hands of the publisher, with the publication date to be announced. He has also submitted a report to the Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention on the possibility of indexing Protestant periodical literature, chiefly Southern Baptist materials. The report is currently being studied by the Commission's Committee on Indexing.

Mr. Robert W. Sillen assumed the position of Librarian of Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts, on August 1. He is a graduate of Colby College and was formerly associated with the Andover Newton Library as Assistant Librarian and later as Acting Librarian. Mr. Sillen has also served as Catalog Librarian of the Free Public Library in Watertown, Massachusetts, and as First Assistant in the Catalog Department of the Providence Public Library in Providence, Rhode Island. He comes to his new position from the Morrill Memorial Library of Norwood, Massachusetts, where he was Reference Librarian and Readers' Consultant.

Dr. John H. Scannon, who was Librarian of Andover Newton prior to Mr. Sillen's appointment, has become a full-time member of the Seminary's Old Testament Department.

CONCERNING FIVE GENEROUS OFFERS

Miss Clara B. Allen, Editor of the Fuller Library Bulletin, wishes to announce that the Bulletin will be glad to consider for publication articles submitted to it by members of the ATLA. Manuscripts may be addressed to Miss Allen at the Fuller Theological Seminary Library, 135 North Oakland Avenue, Pasadena 1, California.

The Library of the Hartford Seminary Foundation offers copies of the centennial history of the Seminary (1934), 296 p., for the cost of 20¢ to cover mailing. Also available at a cost of $1.00 are copies of The Macdonald Presentation Volume, a festschrift for Duncan Black Macdonald (1933), 487 p. Requests should be addressed to Mr. Edward L. Sheppard, Librarian, Hartford Seminary Foundation, Hartford 5, Connecticut.

The Library of the Louisville Presbyterian Seminary has available without charge one copy of the first volume (1929) of the Social Work Year Book, and several paper-bound copies of The Minister and the Teacher by Walter S. Athearn. The latter is a series of lectures given at the Seminary in 1930 and published by the Century Company. Requests should be addressed to Mr. Ernest M. White, Librarian, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, 109 East Broadway, Louisville 2, Kentucky.

The Library of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary has an extra copy of the following item which it offers to any library which wants it at half-price, $6.25, plus postage:

> The Cradle of Printing, From Mainz and Bamberg to Westminster and St. Albans. One Hundred Incunabula and Manuscripts important for the Development of Early Printing. With 2 color plates, 35 halftones, and 45 line cuts.

Inquiries should be addressed to Dr. L. R. Elliott, Librarian, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Seminary Hill, Fort Worth, Texas.

Dr. Frank M. Vanderhoof, Librarian of the University of Chicago Divinity School, wishes to advise ATLA members who have requested issues of The Biblical World and The American Journal of Theology from the collection of duplicates made available by the University of Chicago Press that the processing of the requests is proceeding as quickly as the available time allows, and that all shipments will be made as soon as possible. Shipment of partial runs will be made first with shipment of full runs following later. All shipments will be sent express collect.

THE MENNONITE ENCYCLOPEDIA

The first volume of The Mennonite Encyclopedia appeared earlier this autumn. The remaining three volumes are expected to follow at intervals of one year. Volume one includes the letters A through C, consists of 749 pages of double column articles, and contains the work of nearly five hundred contributors.

When completed the four-volume set will consist of 3,200 pages in which will appear 10,000 articles with 400 illustrations and more than 100 maps. One of the editors of the Encyclopedia, Dr. Cornelius Krahn, says of it: "All known existing and extinct Mennonite congregations, institutions, organizations, and publications are featured in separate articles. This is also the case with countries, states, provinces, counties, cities, and some towns and villages where Mennonites live and have lived. The Encyclopedia will be the most ocmplete source of information on all phases of history, culture, theology, and other aspects of Mennonite life in existence."

The other two editors working with Dr. Krahn, who is Director of the Bethel College Historical Library in North Newton, Kansas, are H. S. Bender and Melvin Gingerich. The sponsor and publisher of the Encyclopedia is the Mennonite Encyclopedia Publishing Committee; but orders should be directed to the Mennonite Publishing House, Scottdale, Pennsylvania; the Mennonite Publication Office, 722 Main Street, Newton, Kansas; or the Mennonite Brethren Publishing House, Hillsboro, Kansas. The price is $10.00 a volume; but if the complete set is ordered at this time, the reduced price is $33.75 for the four volumes.

ATLA NEWSLETTER TO PUBLISH ARTICLES

With this issue and at the beginning of its third year of publication, the ATLA Newsletter inaugurates a new policy which the editor hopes ATLA members will support with their approval and with their contributions. The Supplement which is included in this number of the Newsletter consists of an article on a cooperative acquisition program by J. Stillson Judah, Librarian of the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, California. We hope that this is but the first of a continuing series of articles to be included in the Newsletter under the following conditions. Henceforth, the Newsletter will accept for publication suitable professional articles relating to theological librarianship and, insofar as the quality of the articles submitted allows, will publish one article in each issue as a Supplement to that issue. No more than one article will be published in any one number; but the Newsletter does not obligate itself to include a Supplement with every issue, if the quality of the articles contributed does not warrant their publication.

It is expected that most contributions will come from ATLA members, but others may submit manuscripts as long as the requirement of relevance of the material to theological librarianship is met. No arbitrary limitation is placed upon length of articles. The selection of manuscripts for publication will be made by the Newsletter Committee, the membership of which is listed elsewhere in this issue of the Newsletter. Manuscripts should be directed to Donn Michael Farris, Editor, ATLA Newsletter, Duke University Divinity School, Durham, North Carolina.